Both had attended U.C. Berkeley, the older were Stephen Mather and Horace Albright. They played a key role in creating the National Park Service, as we know it today; they created the protection and preservation by President Lincoln, as early as 1864.

In 1864, both men were key players in providing the first acts of protection for the American people. Many of these people—some as staff of the National Park Service, others as concerned private citizens, have fought significant political battles to save both special lands and cultural resources from those who wanted to destroy or develop these resources for personal profit and private use.

Multiple generations of families in the United States and millions of tourists from around the world have recreated and been inspired by countless visits to our national park sites. Thousands of rangers, maintenance and administrative staff have protected the parks from threats and watched over visitors enjoying the parks over a century. This will continue into the future, and our goal as stewards of these special places, is to keep them as they are for the enjoyment of future generations to come.

Enjoy Whiskeytown National Recreation Area and be safe as you explore the park. I want all of you to take with you happy memories of your friends and family as you enjoy Whiskeytown and other national park sites during this special anniversary year.

Jim Milestone
Park Superintendent

In 2015, Whiskeytown National Recreation Area celebrated 50th Anniversary. This year we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service. National parks such as Yellowstone, date back to 1872 and portions of Yosemite National Park were set aside for protection and preservation by President Lincoln, as early as 1864.

Two men played a key role in creating the National Park Service, as we know it today, they were Stephen Mather and Horace Albright. Both had attended U.C. Berkeley, the older Mather in the class of 1886, Albright, in the class of 1912. Both were from California. The energetic Stephen Mather was a millionaire advertisement executive who had made his fortune marketing Borax soap. Albright was a young lawyer who advised Mather as they took over management of this new agency in 1916, created to protect the dozen national parks mostly found in the America West.

In 1982, I had the honor of meeting Horace Albright at my friends Scott and Susan Isaacson’s wedding. Albright was 92 years old, a living legend and deeply respected for his work with the dynamic Stephen Mather and following Mather’s death in 1930, as the second Director of the National Park Service.

Throughout my career I have met many of the key men and women who continued to make significant contributions to develop the National Park Service and its assets into a remarkable gift for the American people. Many of these people—some as staff of the National Park Service, others as concerned private citizens, have fought for the Whiskeytown National Recreation Area. We have many special events, check flip to pages 4 and 5

This year marks the National Park Service's 100th Birthday! Flip to pages 4 and 5 to read about celebrating with YOUR park. Learn about some historical milestones, and what we have planned for you this centennial year.

**Camping and trail information, pages 6-7**

If you are planning an outdoor adventure, flip to pages 6 and 7 for a list of the park’s extensive trail system and campgrounds, essential information for each. A map will orient you to the park.

**What can I do in the time I have and what’s going on in the park? Pages 8-9**

Not sure what to do during your park visit? Turn to page 8 for a helpful guide that will assist you in planning your recreational activities according to the time you have, as well as activity suggestions for all seasons.

**Kid’s activity and upcoming events, pages 10-11**

Want to become a Junior Ranger but don’t have time to attend a program? Turn to page 10 and fill out this activity page to help you quickly find what you are looking for.

**Ranger-led programs, page 12**

Whiskeytown offers a variety of FREE Ranger-led Programs throughout the summer. These programs are fun and family-friendly. A program schedule and descriptions are found on page 12.

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Support Your Park with Entrance Fees

Your park fees provide funding for projects that improve and enhance the experience for visitors. Applying fees to projects in the area where they were collected assures that visitors pay a share of operational costs. Eighty percent of the fees collected at Whiskeytown are returned to the park for specific projects.

Recent projects have replaced the Oak Bottom Beach restroom and changing facility, renovated the campground store, and replaced informational kiosks. Future projects include improving and expanding our 52-year-old Visitor Center.

For the one-time or short-term visitor, seven day passes are sold for $10 at the Visitor Center and at pay-by-envelope stations around the park. For frequent visitors, an annual park pass is sold at the visitor center for $40 and covers the entrance fee to Lassen Volcanic National Park as well. Both passes are also now sold online at the Pay.gov website.

### 2016 Passes

- **Whiskeytown Annual Pass**
  - $40 - Valid for one year from month of purchase.

- **Lassen Annual Pass**
  - $40 - Valid for one year from month of purchase.

- **Military Annual Pass**
  - No charge for active duty service members and their dependents.

- **Senior Pass**
  - $10 - 62 years and older - Valid for a lifetime.

- **Fourth Grade Pass**
  - Free - Valid for all fourth grade students and their families for the school year.

- **Access Pass**
  - No charge - permanent disability - Valid for a lifetime.

- **Interagency Annual Pass**
  - $80 - Valid for one year from month of purchase.

- **Whiskeytown Nugget**

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Happy 100th Birthday National Park Service!
Whiskeytown National Recreation Area

Whiskeytown Lake was created as part of the Central Valley Project to provide water for agricultural, municipal, and industrial use, as well as for the maintenance of fish and wildlife habitat. In addition, Whiskeytown Lake has two hydroelectric power generation stations, and the earthen dam provides flood control downstream of its location. The dam was completed in early February 1963, and dedicated by President John F. Kennedy on September 28, 1963.

The 3,200-acre reservoir and 42,000 acres of surrounding habitat became Whiskeytown National Recreation Area in 1965. Within its boundaries, the park preserves and protects an incredible diversity of flora and fauna, as well as the cultural history of the Wintu Native Americans and the California Gold Rush. The park also provides a wide variety of year-round recreation opportunities for over 850,000 annual visitors.

Park Information

Superintendent
Jim F. Milestone

Visitor Center
(530) 246-1252

Park Headquarters
(530) 246-3410

Park Ranger Dispatch Office
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911

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Whiskeytown, CA 96095

Website
www.nps.gov/whls

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Fun Facts

Origin of the “Whiskeytown” Name
The park is named after a mining town that was flooded to create the reservoir.

Highest point: 6,199 ft. Stasha Ridge.

Lowest point: 860 ft. on Clear Creek near the southeast park boundary.

Lake elevation: 1,209 ft. at full pool and 1,198 ft. during the winter draw-down.

Park acreage: 42,000 acres

Lake: 3,200 surface acres

Shoreline: 36 miles

Lake water storage capacity: 241,000 acre-feet when at full pool.

Whiskeytown Dam

The earthen dam is 281.5 ft. high with a crest length of 4,000 ft.

### Visitor Center

The Visitor Center is a great place to start when you arrive in the park. The knowledgeable staff and volunteers will help you maximize your visit.

The Visitor Center is located at the intersection of CA 299 and the Kenneth Seitz Memorial Drive and CA Highway 299. The hours of operation are 10:00 am to 4:00 pm daily, year-round, except Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year’s holidays. The visitor center provides information, a variety of use permits, natural and cultural history exhibits, an ADA accessible California native plant garden, as well as books, maps, and souvenir items for sale. In addition, accessible restrooms, first aid, an Automated External Defibrillator, and drinking water are all available here.

### Accessibility

Park headquarters, restrooms, and the visitor center are ADA accessible, as well as the native plant garden located directly behind the visitor center. The park has three ADA accessible trails, including the paved Crystal Creek Falls Trail, a paved portion of the Brandy Creek trail, and the section of the Guardian Rock Trail from Horse Camp leading to the spectacular Guardian Rock Vista Point, which has some uneven surfaces. In addition, two accessible picnic sites are available at Oak Bottom and Brandy Creek beaches. Accessible fishing piers are located at Whiskey Creek Picnic Area and at Oak Bottom Marina, near the amphitheater.

### Amenities

Basic food and camping items can be purchased at the Oak Bottom Campground Store, between 8 am and 4 pm during the winter and until 7 pm in the summer. The Oak Bottom Marina store is open on request over the winter, and from 8 am to 8 pm during the summer. Fishing and boating supplies, such as motorboat fuel and oil, are available in this store along with snacks, beverages, ice, ice cream, sunblock and miscellaneous merchandise. There are stores at Brandy Creek Beach and Oak Bottom Beach, both selling a variety of sandwiches, water toys, beverages and snacks. Both beach stores are open between Memorial Day and Labor Day from 11 am – 6 pm.

### Alcohol

Alcohol is prohibited on the park’s four managed boat launching areas, swimming beaches and parking areas—Brandy Creek, Oak Bottom, Whiskey Creek Group Picnic Area, and East Beach. The legal blood alcohol level for the operators of vehicles and motorcycles cannot exceed 0.08, but boat operators and drivers may be impaired and incapable of safe operation at lesser levels.

### All-terrain Vehicles

ATVs and off-road vehicle travel are prohibited in the park.

### Bicycling

Bicycles can access all trails except Davis Gulch, and Crystal Creek Water Ditch trails. Mountain biking trail information is available at the visitor center. Helmets, gloves, and eye protection are recommended for all riders. Maintain a safe speed of 15 mph for road and trail conditions and stay within your level of riding experience. Cyclists must obey all traffic regulations. Hikers and equestrians always have the right-of-way.

### Boating

There are no boat launch fees at Whiskeytown Lake, but visitors must display a valid entrance pass (see “Fees/Passes”). There are boat launches at Brandy Creek Marina, Oak Bottom, and Whiskey Creek. Oak Bottom Marina rents a variety of motor boats. Single and double kayak rentals are available at both Oak Bottom and Brandy Creek beaches. Please call (530) 359-2671 or visit www.whiskeytownmarinas.com. Motor boats with two and four-stroke engines are allowed on Whiskeytown Lake and must observe posted no-wake signs. Boats cannot exceed 36 feet in length. Occupied vessels can remain on the water overnight provided they move at least one-half linear mile each hour. Overnight camping on boats is prohibited. For your safety and the safety of others, please be aware of other lake users. Non-motorized craft always have the right of way. The use of personal watercraft is prohibited in all areas. Vessels are subject to inspection by rangers at any time to examine licenses, documents, and compliance with regulations pertaining to safety equipment, vessel capacity, sanitation, and pollution and noise abatement devices. Stay alive! Wear a life jacket!

### Bookstore

The bookstore located at the Visitor Center is managed by Western National Parks Association (WNPA) whose mission is to promote the preservation of the national park system and its resources. A variety of books, maps, guides, postcards, souvenirs, and other items can be purchased here. Local products are available, as well as books written by local authors. In addition to stock on hand, WNPA has an even larger selection of items available for purchase from their online store at www.wnpa.org. WNPA members receive a 15% discount and educators receive a 20% discount on all bookstore items. A portion of the proceeds from each sale is donated to the park to support education, interpretation, and research programs.

### Fishing

California Department of Fish and Wildlife regulations apply at Whiskeytown. Fishing is allowed year-round in the lake; however, the streams feeding Whiskeytown can only be fished from the last Saturday in April through November 15. The nearest location to purchase a fishing license is Tops Fresh Market, six miles east of the visitor center on Hwy 299.

### Camping

With the exception of Backpacking Permits, camping is authorized only in the designated campgrounds of the park. Please see pages 6 and 7 for campground locations, fees, and available services.

### Fees/Passes

The entrance fee for the park is $10 per vehicle for a seven-day pass. Whiskeytown annual pass costs $40. In addition, the annual pass from Lassen Volcanic National Park, the Interagency Annual Pass, Senior Pass, Access Pass, and the Golden Age or Access Passports are all honored at Whiskeytown. All passes must be displayed on the driver’s side of the dashboard while in the park boundary. A pass is not required while visiting the Whiskeytown Cemetery. Fee Free days in 2016 can be found on page 11. Passes can be purchased at the Visitor Center or Pay.gov.

### Fires

Campfires are only permitted in the established fire grates at picnic areas and campsites. Fires must never be left unattended and must be properly extinguished upon departure. Dead wood may only be collected from the ground for personal use while in the park. Collecting live vegetation or standing dead wood is prohibited. The use of self-contained barbecues, gas and charcoal, is permitted as long as they are attended at all times and properly extinguished.

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Gold Panning
Recreational gold panning is permitted in the park. A valid annual gold panning permit is required for all persons 17 and older. Gold panning regulations, as well as the $1 annual permit, can be obtained at the visitor center or Pay.gov.

Hiking
Hiking can be enjoyed year-round at Whiskeytown. With over seventy miles of trails in the park, most of which are ridden by mountain bikers and equestrians, there is something for every ability level and interest (please see page 6 for trail information). Be prepared for changing conditions while enjoying the park’s backcountry and be sure to carry an adequate amount of water for each person. Summer daytime temperatures often exceed 100°F (38°C).

Horses & Pack Animals
Horses, burros, mules, and camels may be used on designated multiple-use trails in the park. Horse Camp primitive campground is accessible to vehicles towing horse trailers and is the only location in the park where camping with horses is allowed. There are two sites available and a potable water spigot.

Lost and Found
Lost and found items can be reported, turned in, or claimed at the visitor center.

Mines
Old mine workings in the park are dangerous and unstable. When hiking cross country, be on the lookout for unencumbered mining shafts. Stay out, and stay alive!

Noise Levels
In order to keep natural soundscapes available and a potable water spigot.

P Parking
A valid park pass or Seven-Day Entrance Pass must be displayed on the driver’s side of the dashboard at all times whenever a vehicle is parked within the park boundary. Please see the “Fees/ passes” section for more information on valid passes. Visitors can park in any paved roads, provided the vehicle is completely off the asphalt without trampling vegetation and is in compliance with all posted signage. Parking in front of gates or blocking right-of-way access is prohibited.

Pets
Pets are allowed in the park on trails, provided they are leashed at all times. Leash length is not to exceed 6 feet. Pets are prohibited on all of the park’s designated public swim beaches, Brandy Creek, Oak Bottom, East Beach, and Whiskey Creek Group Picnic Area. Pets cannot be left unattended at any time.

Picnicking
Picnic sites are available in developed areas of the park including: Brandy Creek Beach and Marina, Oak Bottom Beach, Whiskey Creek Boat Launch, Carr Powerhouse, Crystal Creek Falls, and the Clear Creek Picnic area off of Trinity Mountain Road. No reservations can be made for these sites and no area can be held for the exclusive use of any group. Inquire at the visitor center for the location of ADA accessible picnic sites. For groups of 20 or more, reservations may be made for day use sites at Whiskey Creek Picnic area by calling 1-877-444-6777.

Sharing the Park
With the exceptions of Special Use Permits and the areas of the park that can be legally reserved, no visitor or group of visitors can hold or claim exclusive use rights of any area in the park, including the islands, shoreline, and coves of the lake. Please help us to provide for the enjoyment of all visitors by sharing the park.

Showers
Hot showers are available in the restroom at Oak Bottom Beach for a small fee. Free, cold outdoor showers are available during the summer months at Oak Bottom and Brandy Creek beaches.

Smoking
Smoking is prohibited with the following exceptions: visitors may smoke cigarettes and e-cigarettes in their vehicles, on their watercraft and in their campsites. Visitors are also allowed to smoke at the designated smoking areas: Brandy Creek Beach parking lot, Oak Bottom Beach parking lot, and at the Visitor Center’s parking lot island. Smoking is prohibited on all park beaches, trails, and open areas not specifically designated as a smoking area.

Special Use Permits
Special events such as weddings, sporting events, and commercial filming are permitted by obtaining a Special Use Permit. Activities must be appropriate and have a minimal impact on other park visitors. Applications and information are available on the park’s website. For more information, please contact the Chief Ranger at (530) 242-3413.

Swimming
There are four designated public swim beaches in the park: Brandy Creek Beach, East Beach, Whiskey Creek Group Picnic Area, and Oak Bottom Beach. Only Brandy Creek Beach has lifeguards during the summer months. Swimming is prohibited inside the buoy-enclosed area around the Glory Hole and Carr Powerhouse, within 300 feet of any boat launch or mooring facility, and within 100 feet of the Oak Bottom Beach parking lot on CA Highway 299. Open-water swimming is dangerous—swim close to shore or have a lifeguard when swimming in open water. Rope swings are prohibited.

Trash
Please pack out all trash when hiking and dispose of it in a responsible manner. There are recycling facilities at the visitor center, many parking areas, and the park’s designated swim beaches.

Vehicles
Motorists must obey all posted speed limits. Vehicles are only allowed on designated roads. Be alert for pedestrians, cyclists, and wildlife on the roadways. Use special care while driving at dawn and dusk when wildlife is most active. State and federal vehicle laws apply within the park. Make sure to display a valid park pass on your vehicle’s driver-side dashboard while parked.

Water
Potable water is available at the following locations: the visitor center, Brandy Creek Beach, Marina, and RV Campground, Oak Bottom Beach, Marina, Amethyst Creek, Bent and RV Campground, Carr Powerhouse, Horse Camp, and Whiskey Creek Boating Launch. Water from any natural source should be purified.

Wildlife
Do your part to keep the park’s wildlife wild. Do not feed or harass wildlife. Enjoy all animals from a safe distance and try not to disturb their natural behaviors. Use the bear-proof storage lockers for all scented items and never leave food unattended!

Annual Meteor Showers 2016

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Looking ahead to another 100 years

1965
President Lyndon Johnson signed legislation establishing Whiskeytown National Recreation Area on November 8, 1965. The first Whiskeytown staff is shown above accompanied by superintendent Leon Mitchell in 1966.

1971
Shasta County Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Raymond V. Darby submits a proposal to turn Whiskeytown Environmental Camp into a center for outdoor education serving the needs of many educational groups and agencies. The Whiskeytown Environmental School continues this mission today.

1978
Ray Foust served as the second park Superintendent for 17 years and implemented many policies that have shaped how the park is used today.

1980
Superintendent Foust banned alcohol from swim beaches, reducing the instances of DUls and improving visitor safety and experience.

1981
The Camden House, having been unoccupied since the 1940s, fell into disrepair. Park staff began restoring the structure to its original unique form.

1990
The park’s bald eagle population rebounded with two breeding pairs of bald eagles. One of the chicks was sent to San Francisco Zoo for the captive breeding program.

1993
The approximate date the park initiated its exotic plant program, which has used volunteers, Student Conservation Association Interns, Youth Conservation Crews, and seasonal staff to control high priority invasive plant species like puncturevine, yellow star thistle and tree of heaven.

1995
Dave Pugh, the third park Superintendent, served for five years. During his tenure the popular Davis Gulch Trail was established.

1997
At 1:00 am on January 1, a major debris flow sent rocks, mud, snow and water down Brandy Creek and Paige Boulder Creek, damaging bridges and leaving Brandy Creek Beach dramatically changed. Boulders at Brandy Creek Beach are evidence of the slide.

1999
Whiskeytown National Recreation Area received a Partnership Achievement Award from the National Park Foundation for collaborating with Shasta College on the 300-acre Paige Bar Watershed Restoration project.

2000
Jim Milestone begins as the fourth park Superintendent. Under his direction, park staff have expanded trails, established waterfalls access and focused on expanding recreational opportunities.

2002
Personal watercraft were banned from the lake. This led to the creation of one of Whiskeytown’s most popular, free ranger-led programs still offered today - kayaking!

2005
By installing solar panels, more efficient appliances and fixtures, and properly insulating buildings, the park reduced its carbon footprint and energy consumption by nearly 50%.

2008
On June 21st a lightning storm passed over northern California in the early morning hours, sparking over two thousand fires, including several that resulted in the burning of about 20% of the park.

2013
Celebrated 50 years since President John F. Kennedy dedicated the Clair A. Hill Whiskeytown Dam on September 28, 1963.

2015
Visit the Stephen Mather plaque at Brandy Creek Beach, just a 1/4 mile up the creek.

2016

Happy 100th Birthday National Park Service
Est. August 25, 1916
The National Park Service turns 100 on August 25th, 2016. Throughout this birthday year, we invite you to participate in Find Your Park Experiences to learn, discover, be inspired, or simply have fun in national parks. Find Your Park Experiences offer unique opportunities to explore national parks both in person and online. The Centennial celebrates the achievements of the past 100 years, but it is really about the future. It’s about kicking off a second century of stewardship for America’s national parks and for communities across the nation. Most important, it’s about inviting you to join us.

We want people everywhere to join the find Your Park movement to inspire all people to connect with, enjoy, and support America’s national parks. We invite those who already know and love the parks, and also the next generation of visitors, supporters, and advocates to join us this year, and into the future. Check out some of Whiskeytown’s special events on page 11 to find opportunities that match your interests. Then share your national park story at FindYourPark.com, and by using #FindYourPark on social media. We are excited for you to be a part of our second century!

Join YOUR Park in Celebrating!

Attention all fourth grade students! You are eligible to receive a free pass that allows you and your family to free entrance into all national parks including Whiskeytown and Lassen Volcanic, during your school year. Getting a pass is simple. Visit the “Get Your Pass” section of www.everykidinapark.gov, complete an online game, and download a voucher to print and use at federal lands and waters. This paper voucher can be exchanged for a more durable Interagency Annual 4th Grade Pass at the Whiskeytown visitor center and at other select sites. 4th grade teachers, you can involve your whole class. Go online today and learn more and print passes for every student. The section for educators has four learning activities complete with lesson plans, photos and worksheets.

The Artist-in-Residence Program at Whiskeytown National Recreation Area offers established visual artists the opportunity to pursue their particular art form while surrounded by the inspiring landscape of the park. The park provides a rustic cabin for participants for up to a three week residency. This program focuses on landscape painting of plein air, impressionist and abstract styles. This year in celebration of the National Parks Service’s 100th birthday, Whiskeytown’s artists in residence will be focusing on people enjoying their park. In addition, some artists will demonstrate how to paint in plein air style, as well as teach the public helpful techniques. To find out more about our Artists-in-Residence Program, please call the Visitor Center at (530) 246-1225.

Don’t Forget to Put it on Your Calendar!

Turtle Bay Exploration Park, The National Park Service, and the Shasta Historical Society are teaming up to develop a “Find Your Park” exhibit to be displayed in the Turtle Bay Museum from October 1, 2016, through January 8, 2017. The “Find Your Park” Centennial exhibition will celebrate the parks of northern California and southern Oregon through up to 2,000 square feet of exhibit space in the Exploration Hall of the Turtle Bay Museum. Interactive exhibits will draw from the rich natural and cultural heritage of seven national parks: Whiskeytown National Recreation Area, Lassen Volcanic National Park, Lava Beds National Monument, Redwood National and State Parks, Crater Lake National Park, Tule Lake Unit—WWII Valor in the Pacific National Monument, and Oregon Caves National Monument and Preserve. Be sure to include Turtle Bay in your Fall and Winter plans!
Easy Hikes | Distance One-way | Elevation Change | Trail Highlights and Notes
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Buck Hollow | 1.0 | 130 ft. | Wildflowers, seasonal streams, lots of shade, views of Shasta Bally.
Camden Water Ditch | 1.1 Loop | Mostly level | Camden House, historic orchards, El Dorado Mine, Willow Creek
Crystal Creek Water Ditch (Closed to bikes and packed animals) | 0.75 | 30 ft. | Shaded, historic water ditch, remnants of old dams, elevated water flume.
Crystal Creek Falls | 0.3 | Mostly level | 50 ft. falls and picnic area, ADA accessible and paved from the trailhead
Princess Ditch (from Salt Creek Loop to Stoney Gulch Trailhead) | 1.8 | Mostly level | Historic water ditch, scenic views, cross over four bridges that span drainages where historic flumes once existed.
Oak Bottom Ditch | 2.75 | 20 ft. | Scenic views, swimming opportunities, lake access.

Moderate Hikes

Boulder Creek Falls (Mill Creek Road route) | 1.0 | 80 ft. | 138 ft. falls, one creek crossing, shaded.
Brandy Creek (Brandy Creek to the 2nd intersection with Brandy Creek Rd., located southeast of Sheep Camp) | 1.6 | 400 ft. | Follows the spectacular Brandy Creek, swimming holes, ample shade. There are four small creek crossings, and you hike twice on the road (signs guide you).
Brandy Creek Falls | 1.5 | 500 ft. | Beautiful series of cascades, views of Brandy Creek, shade
Clear Creek Canal | 4.5 | 30 ft. | Views of Whiskeytown Dam, Shasta Bally, Kanaka Peak, crosses Orofino Creek.
Clear Creek Vista | 2.4 | 400 ft. | Historic District and scenic views of Clear Creek, east end comes out near Carr Powerhouse.
Davis Gulch (Closed to bikes and packed animals) | 3.3 | 170 ft. | Lots of shade, lake views, scenic and quiet caves, swimming, resting benches.
Guardian Rock | 1.0 | 200 ft. | ADA accessible section from Horse Camp to the Clear Creek Canyon Vista. Views of Clear and Orofino creeks. Remnants of historic mining.
Logging Camp | 1.0 | 415 ft. | Restored logging road and watershed.
Mt. Shasta Mine Loop | 3.5 | 540 ft. | Historic mines, Orofino Creek, and beautiful views of Shasta Bally and South Fork Mountain.
Mule Mountain Pass (Salt Creek Loop to Swasey Drive) | 4.4 | 700 ft. | Creeks, scenic views of Mt. Lassen, great for hikers, bikers, and horses.
Peltier | 1.75 | 380 ft. | Paige Boulder Creek, small waterfall, wildflowers.
Salt Creek Loop | 1.8 | 300 ft. | 6 creek crossings, mountain views, shade.
Shasta Divide Nature Trail (Closed to bikes and packed animals) | 0.4 Loop | 190 ft. | Lots of shade, access to Whiskeytown Lake, swimming, views of mountains, benches along the trail.

Difficult Hikes

Boulder Creek Falls (via South Shore Drive) | 2.75 | 950 ft. | 138 ft. falls, Boulder Creek views, 3 creek crossings with no bridges.
James K. Carr Trail (Whiskeytown Falls Trail) (Closed to bikes and pack animals) | 1.7 | 520 ft. | At 220 feet, park’s tallest falls, beautiful views of Crystal Creek, some shade.
Kanaka Peak | 3.6 | 1,430 ft. | Panoramic views of the Trinity Alps, Mt. Lassen, Igo and Oro, Yolla Bolly Mtns., Clear Creek Canyon, beautiful Whiskeytown Lake.
Mill Creek | 6.1 | 350 ft. | 16 creek crossings, lots of shade, north end of the trail connects with the Tower House Historic District.
Papoose Pass | 5.5 | 900 ft. | Spectacular views, sections follow the East Fork of Boulder Creek.
Rich Gulch | 1.8 | 500 ft. | Shaded and views of Shasta Bally.
Salt Gulch | 1.6 | 800 ft. | Views of Mt. Lassen, Whiskeytown Lake, Southern Cascade Range, Trinity Alps.

Whiskeytown-Shasta-Trinity National Recreation Area is located in northern California. Whiskeytown Unit is administered by the National Park Service. Shasta and Trinity units are administered by the U.S. Forest Service.

Camping

**Developed Camp Sites**

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Camp Sites
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Dry Creek
Oak Bottom
Developed

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Notes: The purpose of this map is to provide visitors with a general reference for the location of roads, trails, facilities, and other features in the park. For a more detailed map, please pick up a park map/brochure from the visitor center or the Oak Bottom Campground Site.

Archaeology in the Park

Do Your Part and Preserve the Park’s History

Whiskeytown’s landscape reflects the stories of how diverse groups of people have utilized the area’s resources through time. While you are out hiking, swimming, camping or bike riding, you may come across an object that may have cultural or historical significance.

To preserve the park’s history, we ask that you please leave any cultural or historical artifacts where you found them. Write down a description of the location of the object or take a picture and please contact the park cultural resource specialist at (530) 242-3438. Additionally, let us know if you would like to be contacted about the object’s significance or to volunteer with investigating and preserving the parks cultural and historical resources.

Remember that removing, altering, or destroying cultural artifacts in a National Park is a federal offense and could result in fines and/or jail time. Possession or use of a mineral or metal detector is prohibited in the Recreation Area.
What Can I Do in the Time I Have?

Walk by the wayside exhibits outside the Visitor Center and enjoy the scenic views.

Take a walk along the ADA accessible trail through the California native plant garden located behind the visitor center.

From the visitor center parking lot, enjoy a leisurely stroll down the Shasta Divide Nature Trail to the shores of Whiskeytown Lake.

From Horse Camp, walk the ADA accessible portion of the Guardian Rock Trail to the beautiful vista point overlooking Lower Clear Creek Canyon.

Take a short walk (0.3 miles) to Crystal Creek Falls and enjoy your lunch at the picnic site.

Pan for gold along Clear Creek (see “Gold Panning” on page 3 for more information).

Grab your mountain bike and enjoy a ride on more than 70 miles of park trails. There are trails for every skill level and interest. Information is available at the visitor center.

Spend the afternoon at Brandy Creek and enjoy a beautiful waterfall and stamp mill at the El Dorado Mine.

Explore the newly developed Princess Ditch Trail and enjoy its historical character and open views.

For a physically rewarding day, you can complete the Whiskeytown Waterfall Challenge (see page 11) in one day by hiking to all four of the park’s waterfalls.

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A Park For All Seasons

Spring

TAKE A HIKE TO THE PARK’S FOUR WATERFALLS: See them during peak flow as the mountain snowpack begins to melt. Use caution, the trails can be slippery. Hike any of the park trails to experience the incredible bloom of wildflowers. Great trails for spring wildflower viewing are the Mt. Shasta Mine Loop, Davis Gulch, Guardian Rock, Lower Brandy Creek, and Boulder Creek trails. Spring is a great time for birding. Patience, stillness, and quiet observation will allow you to see the most bird activity. In April, take your family and friends to the park for Waterfall Week, Whiskeytown’s annual celebration of National Park Week.

Summer

JOIN A RANGER-LED PROGRAM FOR A FUN-FILLED AND EDUCATIONAL PARK EXPERIENCE (see page 12). Take a swim in the cold, clear waters of the lake at Brandy Creek Beach and have a picnic while you are there. Beat the summer heat by taking a hike to the waterfalls to bask in the shade and cool mist, or swim in the pools below the cascading waters.

Fall

TAKE A HIKE ALONG THE CLEAR CREEK VISTA, Mill Creek, Brandy Creek, or Boulder Creek trails to view the brilliant fall colors of big leaf maple, Pacific dogwood and California black oak. Hiking, horseback riding, and biking are very enjoyable during the fall as temperatures cool and the buzz of summer activity fades. Fall is also the start of hunting season, so be aware of possible hunting activity while in the park’s backcountry.

Support your park by joining us on National Public Lands Day for volunteer opportunities. Contact the Visitor Center for more information: (530) 246-1225 or visit the park website at nps.gov/whis.

In addition, join us on September 17th for Whiskeytown’s 6th Annual Harvest Festival in the historic orchards.

Winter

JOIN US AT THE CAMDEN HOUSE WITHIN the park’s Tower House Historic District for the annual “Old Time Holiday” celebration and free wreath-making workshop on Saturday, December 3, 2016. Hike along the Brandy Creek, Mill Creek, or Boulder Creek trails to witness the massive gatherings of lady bugs numbering in the thousands as they enter a period of dormancy to conserve energy in the colder months. Bring your binoculars to the quiet coves around the lake to enjoy the waterfowl that congregate on the lake during the winter migration. Species commonly seen are Canada geese, mallards, buffleheads, common mergansers, coots, ruddy ducks, and ring-necked ducks. Watch for bald eagles as well!

Whiskeytown Nugget
Plants That Bite Back

Poison oak is very common in the park, as is exposure to the plant’s toxic oils. Leaves of three, let them be!

Western rattlesnakes are common in the park. A black-tailed deer feeding on an unattended picnic. Animals can become aggressive and dangerous if fed and habituated to people.

Lifejackets Save Lives

IN 2014, THE U.S. RECORDED 79 PERCENT OF FATAL BOATING ACCIDENT VICTIMS DROWNED.

Of those drowning victims, it was reported that 84% were not wearing their lifejackets!

So, be prepared and wear your lifejackets when you are recreating on the water. Follow these simple suggestions:

• Always supervise your children.
• Avoid alcohol.
• Wear a properly fitted US Coast Guard approved lifejacket.
• Take swimming lessons.
• Learn CPR.

For more information on water safety please visit visit www.USCGboating.org or www.safeboatingcouncil.org.

Clean Water Is Up To Us

LAST YEAR OVER ONE MILLION VISITORS CAME TO WHISKEYTOWN, MANY TO ESCAPE THE HEAT OF SUMMER IN THE COOL WATER. THE PARK’S FOUR SWIM BEACHES ARE VERY POPULAR DESTINATIONS. TO HELP PROTECT THE PUBLIC, WHISKEYTOWN PARK STAFF SAMPLE WATER QUALITY AT THESE BEACHES AT LEAST FIVE TIMES A MONTH FROM EARLY MAY TO LATE SEPTEMBER.

Why is this important? People enjoy Whiskeytown’s picturesque lake and crystal clear waters. However, even the clearest water can be contaminated by large groups of bathers. Testing of the waters at the swim beaches allows park staff to monitor water quality conditions and trends. Should contamination thresholds be exceeded, warning signs are posted on the beach to advise against bathing. To keep the water clean, park staff have taken actions such as banning dogs at swim beaches and limiting the number of visitors at Brandy Creek Beach.

There are also actions you can take to help! Please shower before and after swimming in the lake and don’t use the lake as a bathtub! Showers are available at the beaches. Please don’t allow children in diapers to enter the water. Don’t swim if you have or recently had diarrhea. Keep pets away from swimming areas. Do not feed wildlife, especially the geese. Remember, it’s up to all of us to keep Whiskeytown Lake clean!

Clean Water Is Up To Us
Visitor Center Scavenger Hunt

Whiskeytown is known for its rich gold history. Prospectors needed to be persistent in digging and panning for gold. You can find answers 1 through 11 by searching the various displays inside the Visitor Center.

Gold Discovered in California

1. What year was gold discovered in California?

2. Whiskeytown is located in a gold mining area of California called the “Northern ___ ____ ____”.

The Miners and Their Tools

3. Name three tools used by the miners for finding gold.

4. Why was life very difficult for most miners?

5. List two ways other than mining to make a steady income during the 1850’s.

The Wintu Indians

8. What items in the exhibit case suggest early Wintu hunted animals for food?

9. The exhibit also contains stone pestles used for grinding. Can you guess what the Wintu used to grind acorns into flour?

10. The name of the trail I hiked at Whiskeytown is:

11. What did you like best about this trail?

Rangers and Volunteers Here at Whiskeytown

Find a ranger or volunteer and see what role they play here at Whiskeytown.

Who did you meet?

What does he/she do for the park?

Congratulations!

Show your completed scavenger hunt to the ranger or volunteer at the Visitor Center, and receive your Junior Ranger badge!
2016 Events

Waterfall Week
Saturday April 16 through Sunday April 24

Come celebrate National Park Week and explore the beauty of Whiskeytown and its four major waterfalls. The National Park Service invites visitors to take the Whiskeytown Waterfall Challenge during National Park week. A great way to complete the Whiskeytown Waterfall challenge is to join a park ranger for a free ranger-led hike to one of the park’s four major waterfalls, including ADA accessible Crystal Creek Falls. For more information check out the park website: nps.gov/whis, or contact the Visitor Center at (530) 246-1225.

Brandy Creek Beach Luau
Saturday June 18, 2016 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Brandy Creek Beach

Don’t forget to mark your calendar for the 8th annual Brandy Creek Beach Luau. This fun event is a fundraiser for the Friends of Whiskeytown, and will feature a luau dinner, Hawaiian entertainment, and a silent auction. For further information, call (530) 242-3460 or visit www.friendsofwhiskeytown.org

Perseid Meteor Shower
Friday evening August 13, 2016

Brandy Creek Beach parking lot B, start time is after sunset

Whiskeytown, in partnership with the Shasta Astronomy club, will be holding a special star party for the Perseid Meteor Shower. Powerful telescopes will be on hand to view what is considered to be the most brilliant meteor shower of the year. Visitors are encouraged to bring red light flashlights, lounge chairs, food, drinks and extra clothing for the nighttime star party.

Whiskeytown Celebrates the National Park Service’s 100th Birthday
Saturday August 20, 2016 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Brandy Creek Beach parking lot A

Celebrate by joining us for a symphony on the beach. The Shasta Symphony Orchestra will perform and there will be a twilight luminary lighting on the lake. For more information, please visit the park website nps.gov/whis or on Facebook: www.facebook.com/WhiskeytownNationalRecreationArea

Harvest Festival
Saturday September 17, 2016 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Tower House Historic District

Whiskeytown National Recreation Area and the Friends of Whiskeytown invite visitors to join us for the 6th Annual Harvest Festival at the park’s Tower House Historic District. This fun and family-friendly event will feature apple tasting, cider making demonstrations, an apple-themed bake-off contest, games for all ages, and tours of the historic Camden House and orchards.

Old Time Holiday
Saturday December 3, 2016 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

The National Park Service and California State Parks invite visitors for their annual “Old Time Holiday.” Follow in the footsteps of miners who in 1849, after preparing a holiday meal in Shasta, traveled to Whiskeytown to share their food and cheer! The events will take place at Shasta State Historic Park and the Tower House Historic District. Featured events will be wreath making, music, crafting ornaments, story time and historical reenactments.

A Park for Everyone

The Friends of Whiskeytown (FOW) is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping the National Park Service to restore and enhance the magnificent resources and recreational opportunities at Whiskeytown.

FOW have been instrumental in providing support for park projects and programs over the years, including the hiring of a Student Conservation Association trail crew to build and maintain trails, constructing a new foot bridge over Crystal Creek on the Whiskeytown Falls trail, Whiskeytown’s Artist-in-Residence Program, the annual Volunteer-In-Parks Program recognition event, the Old Time Holiday at the Camden House and Whiskeytown’s Annual Harvest Festival.

If you would like to support FOW, your contribution of $25.00 or more will help the park complete projects that would otherwise be unfunded.

Don’t forget to mark your calendar for the 8th annual Brandy Creek Beach Luau on Saturday, June 18, 2016. This fun event is a fundraiser for the FOW and will feature a luau dinner, Hawaiian entertainment, and a silent auction. For further information, call (530) 242-3460 or visit www.friendsofwhiskeytown.org

Volunteer in the Park

Is Whiskeytown Lake one of your favorite places to spend the day? Do you enjoy meeting new people and learning new things? Would you like a chance to help your community and have fun at the same time? If so, consider becoming a National Park Service Volunteer at Whiskeytown National Recreation Area. We are looking for friendly people to assist us in many activities at the park. For more information, contact Ranger Breanna Corp at (530) 242-3451.

Junior Lifeguard

The Junior Lifeguard Program at Whiskeytown is designed to instruct youth 10 years of age and up in water safety and to gain skills in aquatics, along with instilling a sense of responsibility and accomplishment. The purpose of the Junior Lifeguard course is to teach participants the knowledge and skills needed to prevent and respond to aquatic emergencies both in a pool and in a waterfront environment. Participants completing the required hours of instruction and exams may be certified in the following: all ages-Red Cross Multi-Media First Aid and water rescue; 15 & over-Red Cross Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation; 15 & over-Lifeguard Training. Please call Tommie Scherf at (530) 242-3410.

On May 13th & 14th Whiskeytown National Recreation Area and Whiskeytown Environmental School will host its first BioBlitz. Celebrating biodiversity, culture and art. Join scientists and resource experts in exploring park habitats, birds, plants, invertebrates, mammals and more.

Fee Free Days 2016

January 18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day
February 14-16 Presidents Day weekend
April 16-24 Opening weekend of National Park Week
August 25-26 National Park Service 100th Birthday
September 24 National Public Lands Day
November 11 Veterans Day
Join us for a Free Ranger-led Program!

Free ranger-led programs begin in mid-June and are offered through Labor Day weekend. Please call the Visitor Center at (530) 246-1225, or visit the park website at www.nps.gov/whis for the latest information on park programs and special events.

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* During August and September, start time will be 8:30 pm

Be on the Lookout!
During the summer months rangers will be offering additional programs and other special events! Contact the visitor center for information (530) 246-1225 or check out Whiskeytown’s park website: www.nps.gov/whis.

Stay connected to the park!
Want to join in the conversation and share your stories about Whiskeytown? Like us on Facebook! Get the latest news and park photos. You can also find out about Whiskeytown history, trail conditions, and events. We invite you to share stories and pictures from your adventures at Whiskeytown National Recreation Area.

We like you, like us on facebook!

Visit the park website for current news & publications.

Attending ranger led programs and earn Junior Ranger badges and patches!

Junior Ranger Saturdays at 10:00 am (1 hour)
Children along with their parents can learn about preserving and protecting park resources while making new friends during a special one-hour activity that explores the wonders of Whiskeytown. Meet at the Oak Bottom Amphitheater. Ask the ranger about earning your Whiskeytown Junior Ranger badge and patch.

Junior Firefighter Saturdays at 11:00 am (1 hour)
Join Whiskeytown NPS firefighters to learn how they manage fire to protect the ecosystems of our national parks and property. Children who complete the program will earn a Junior Firefighter Badge. Meet at the Oak Bottom Amphitheater.

Junior Ranger Kayak Program Mondays and Thursdays at 1:30 pm (1.5 hours)
Join us for a special program that pairs parents and their children in kayaks so they can discover and share the joy of nature with each other as they paddle and play. The Monday program is geared for children three to six years of age, and the Thursday program is geared toward children seven to twelve years old. Please call (530) 242-3462 to make a reservation.

Walk In Time Wednesdays and Saturdays at 1:00 pm (2 hours)
Discover how pioneers/prospectors Charles Camden and Levi Tower reshaped the landscape to create a home for their families and an “oasis” for travelers and after the California Gold Rush. Visit the historic orchard and see apple trees over 150 years old that still bear fruit! After a tour of the Camden house, enjoy a leisurely stroll through the area, then try your hand at finding gold the old-fashioned way—and with a gold pan in the creek! Meet the ranger at the Tower House Historic District parking lot bulletin board.

Kayak Program Daily tours at 9:30 am and 5:30 pm are offered on Sun. through Sat. except Fri. (2.5 hours) Hop on a tandem kayak with a friend and explore the quiet coves around Whiskeytown Lake while you learn more about the natural and cultural values of the park. Children must be at least six years old. Reservations are up to two weeks in advance, call (530) 242-3462.

Moonlight Kayak Program July 14-18 at 8:00 pm, and August 13-17 at 7:30 pm (2 ½ hours) Experience dramatic changes in the landscape as you explore Whiskeytown Lake under the light of the moon. Reservation slots fill up fast for this program, call (530) 242-3462 in the morning, no more than two weeks in advance for the best opportunity of securing a slot.

Special Access Kayak Program Friday evenings during July and August (2 hours) This program has been developed for individuals with special needs so they can enjoy a kayaking adventure. Visitors with special needs are paired with an experienced kayak volunteer. Please call (530) 242-3451 for more information.

Evening Astronomy Program Friday evenings at 9:00 pm (1 hour) During August and September, start time is at 8:30 pm. Spend the evening with a Sky Ranger and discover the stories of how ancient cultures used the sky to navigate and mark important seasonal changes. Learn about the challenges we face today as urban light pollution threatens the dark sky and find out what you can do to help. After a 20 minute presentation, the Shasta Astronomy Club will share their powerful telescopes to assist visitors with celestial gazing. Meet at the Oak Bottom Amphitheater for the first half of the program for special needs so they can enjoy a kayaking adventure. Visitors with special needs are paired with an experienced kayak volunteer. Please call (530) 242-3451 for more information.

Star Party Saturdays 8:00 pm to 11:00 pm on 5/12, 4/09, 5/07 and 8:30 pm to 12:00 pm on 5/14, 6/04, 6/11, 7/02, 7/09, 8/06, 8/27, 9/03, 9/10, 10/01, 10/29, 11/05, 11/26, 12/03, and 12/31 (weather permitting). For up to date information call the visitor center (530) 246-1225, visit the park web site, or visit www.shastaastronomyclub.com

Experience the splendor of the dark night sky! Because of its unique position nestled within mountain ranges, Whiskeytown is a great place to explore the heavens. The night constellations often elude urban dwellers, but at Whiskeytown, visitors are able to see deep into space aided by powerful telescopes provided by the passionate and knowledgeable Shasta Astronomy Club. Take Paige Bar Road and meet at the Mount Shasta Mine Loop Trail parking lot.

Free Movie Night Under the Starlight Saturday evenings at 8:30 pm starting in June through Labor Day weekend at Oak Bottom Amphitheater Presented by the Oak Bottom Marina, family friendly movies are offered to anyone who would like to join. Snacks and drinks are available for purchase. Bring a cozy pillow and sit under the stars while enjoying a movie next to the lake! For questions please contact the Oak Bottom Beach Store at (530) 535-2675.